

Voyageurs National Park Vegetation Map Class for Quaking Aspen – Paper Birch Forest

The map class "[Quaking Aspen – Paper Birch Forest](#)" is composed of the following vegetation associations, each described separately:

- [Aspen Birch / Boreal Conifer Forest](#)
- [Aspen – Birch – Red Maple Forest](#)

The Aspen/Birch / Boreal Conifer Forest Association is one of the most abundant and widespread types occurring from well drained ridges to lower areas. It includes young forests to mature stands, typically dominated by quaking aspen with paper birch and big tooth aspen common. The tree sub-canopy includes conifers along with red maple. The Aspen - Birch - Red Maple Forest Association is not as common and is more localized throughout the area. Although similar to the former, this association lacks the conifers in the tree sub-canopy with the red maple remaining present. Regardless of association, open canopies due to blowdown situations are fairly common.